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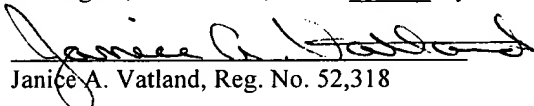
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND PRELIMINARY
AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) on September 10, 2002 (Paper No. 6). A four month extension of time is respectfully requested and the appropriate large entity fee (\$1450.00) is submitted herewith.

In the Claims

Please cancel non-elected claims (claims 12, 15, 17, 20, 31, 32, 39, 44, 48, 50, 52, 54-57, 63, 71 and 72) without prejudice or disclaimer. ~~5 2 3~~

Please add the following new claims:

79. (new) The isolated nucleic acid molecule of claim 4, wherein the sequence of contiguous nucleotides is selected from the group consisting of:

- AI*
Sub C2
- (1) at least two contiguous nucleotides nonidentical to the sequence group,
 - (2) at least three contiguous nucleotides nonidentical to the sequence group,
 - (3) at least four contiguous nucleotides nonidentical to the sequence group,

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Transmitted herewith are the following documents:

- ☒ **Response to Restriction Requirement and Preliminary Amendment**
- ☒ **Return Receipt Postcard**

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room and/or the Application Branch is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at (617) 720-3500, Boston, Massachusetts.

A check in the amount of \$1450.00 is enclosed to cover the filing fee. If the fee is insufficient, the balance may be charged to Deposit Account 23/2825. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,
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